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Title: **Soft Cannula**

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ Fee Calculation Sheet
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
3. ☒ Specification Total Pages: 16
 - ☒ Descriptive title of the invention
 - ☒ Cross References to Related Applications
 - ☐ Statement Regarding Fed. Sponsored R&D
 - ☐ Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - ☒ Background of the Invention
 - ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
 - ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings
 - ☒ Detailed Description
 - ☒ Claims
 - ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawings (35 U.S.C. 113) Total Sheets: 9
5. ☐ Oath or Declaration Total Pages:
 - a. ☐ Newly Executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 19 completed)
 - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting
inventor(s) named in the prior application
(see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b))
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. 1.76)

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(If applicable, all necessary)
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. ☐ paper
 - c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☐ Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
10. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
11. ☐ 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Submission
12. ☐ Power of Attorney
13. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
14. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
(with Copies of Citations as necessary)
15. ☐ Preliminary Amendment Total Pages:
16. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
(Should be specifically itemized)
17. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority document(s)
(If foreign priority is claimed)
18. ☐ Other

19. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☒ Continuation ☐ Division ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior Application No.: PCT/CH02/00187, filed on April 3, 2002, which claims priority to German Application No. 101 17 286.9, filed on April 6, 2001.

For continuation or divisional applications: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

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